

## What do you think?

- Are these the right goals?
- Do they reflect the intent of the Mission and Vision?
- Do they support Vermont's education Transformation effort?
- Are they easily translated to your school's Action Plan?
- Are they stated in laymen's terms?

We encourage you to have a discussion in your community, with your colleagues, with your students, at your next school board meeting, and share your thoughts with us at: [edplan@list.education.state.vt.us](mailto:edplan@list.education.state.vt.us).

For more information, visit:  
<http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/dept/transformation.html>

## State Board of Education 2009-2010 Meeting Dates

October 27, 2009  
November 17, 2009  
December 15, 2009  
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March 16, 2010  
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## DEVELOPING A STATEWIDE STRATEGIC EDUCATION PLAN

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## Work Currently Underway

At its June 22-23 planning meeting, the State Board, in collaboration with staff from the Department of Education, met to begin to preliminary work on the next iteration of the Board's and Department's strategic plan. 16 V.S.A. §180 requires the State Board of Education to "adopt through a public process a statewide strategic education plan to describe how the agency will help school boards to improve student performance" and that it be reviewed and updated every five years. This being the fifth year, the next step is to re-form the strategic plan (mission, vision, goals, objectives, and indicators of progress) by renewing it to: 1) reflect current practice and views, 2) assure that all students graduate from high school competitive in a global economy, and 3) integrate the tenets of Transformation (see <http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/dept/transformation.html>). That process will include members of the State Board and representatives from Department staff working together to flesh out those goals, strategies and objectives, as well as opportunity for public input.

## Mission

*The State Board and Department of Education provide support and leadership in the transformation of the Vermont education system in order to give each learner the opportunity to succeed in the 21st century.*

## Vision

The education system:

- ☐ provides each learner with the knowledge and skills necessary for success in college, continuing education, careers and citizenship;
- ☐ responds to the needs and interests of learners;
- ☐ provides flexible learning environments rich with 21st century tools that promote self development, academic achievement and active engagement in learning;
- ☐ is a learner centered system that operates within a framework of high expectations for learning with support from educators, families and community.

## DRAFT Goals

**Goal I:** Establish high quality, research-based teaching and learning practices to continually improve achievement for all learners.

**Goal II:** Provide and promote high-quality, transformative educational leadership.

**Goal III:** Ensure a safe and flexible learning environment that supports a positive climate.

**Goal IV:** Local, regional and state partners will collectively understand and endorse the vision, goals and policy of the Transformation effort and actively contribute to its implementation.

**Goal V:** Establish a coherent state and local policy structure that promotes the educational practices and student outcomes demonstrated in research as essential for student success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.